

## PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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March 20, 2012

**VIA ECFS**

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: California Public Utilities Commission's Notice of Ex Parte Communications, *In the Matter of Lifeline and Link Up Reform and Modernization; Lifeline and Link Up; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Advancing Broadband Availability Through Digital Literacy Training (LifeLine Reform Order)*; WC Docket Nos. 03-109, 12-23 and 11-42; CC Docket No. 96-45

Ms. Dortch:

On March 19, 2012, Jonathan Lakritz, Roxanne Scott, Cherrie Conner, Michaela Pangilinan, Benjamin Schein, and Sindy Yun of the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) had a 45-minute conference call with Jonathan Lechter and Kimberly Scardino of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to discuss the recently adopted *LifeLine Reform Order*. CPUC's consultant, Kristine Kowalewski, was also on the conference call.

During the call, the following topics were discussed:

- (1) Temporary addresses and aggregate re-certification data requirements— CPUC explained that it is currently transitioning to a new 3<sup>rd</sup> party administrator and therefore would be difficult for California to implement these new requirements by the currently scheduled dates. CPUC informed the FCC that it is planning to file a petition for waiver and request an extension of time.
- (2) De-enrollment – CPUC sought clarification of the FCC's de-enrollment rules for customers that fail to re-certify. CPUC discussed its renewal process and asked the FCC to clarify the newly adopted rules set forth in Section 54.405(e)(4). CPUC provided a copy of its renewal timeline flowchart, which is attached to this ex parte notice.

(3) Certification requirements – CPUC sought clarification regarding social security number and date of birth requirements and whether it was the FCC intent to disqualify customers who fail to provide this data going forward.

(4) State lifeline programs and requirements – CPUC asked the Commission staff and received feedback as to whether states are generally permitted to have additional lifeline program rules/measures that are not inconsistent with the FCC's rules.

In accordance with Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, a copy of this letter and the accompanying attachment has been filed via ECFS and sent by email to the FCC staff members who participated in the meeting. If you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at (415) 703-1999 or [sjy@cpuc.ca.gov](mailto:sjy@cpuc.ca.gov).

Respectfully submitted,

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# **ATTACHMENT**

Application Renewal Timeline